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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Yutaka Machida
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FOR: DECODING AND CODING METHOD
OF MOVING IMAGE SIGNAL, AND
DECODING AND CODING APPARATUS
OF MOVING IMAGE SIGNAL USING
THE SAME

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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Responsive to the Official Action dated April 24, 2002, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 12, 16, 17 and 20 with the following amended claims:

12. (Amended) A method for decoding an image signal representing
motion, the image signal being a bit stream of a coded compressed video signal, the
method comprising the steps of:

decoding the bit stream for information defining pixel blocks;

detecting an error in the information of one of the pixel blocks in each of at
least two frames which are prior to a present frame;